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- The production of heat-resistant synthetic fibers has not yet commenced at the Chemische Werke Buna-Schkopau. The principal items currently being produced are synthetic rubber (mainly the oil-insoluble kind), calcium carbide, acetone, building lime, kalunite (sic), chlorethyl, caustic soda, ethyl chloride, glycerine, anti-freeze solution (glysantin), aluminum chloride, plasticizers, "Igelit"plastic, grease extracting agents, automobile lubricating oil and other oils, methyl alcohol, dichlor-diethylsulphide, and phosphorus. Two-thirds of the output goes to the Soviet Union.
- 2. In September 1953 there were produced 20,160 kg. of phosphorus, and about 26,000 kg. of dichlor-diethylsulphide. The Buna works manufactures only the first (thio-di-glycol) stage of the dichlor-diethylsulphide, which is further treated elsewhere. Large quantities of glycerine are shipped monthly; the production has been considerably increased in the past few months. The production of acetylene fell short by 1,224 tons of the quota of 30,620 tons, due to a shortage of carbide.

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